AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-9 (canceled)

Claim 10. (previously presented): A storage system adapted to be connected to a plurality of host devices via a fibre channel, the storage system comprising:

a plurality of storage devices that store data from the plurality of host devices and has a plurality of storage regions; and

a storage control device that controls access from the plurality of host devices to said plurality of storage devices;

wherein said storage control device includes a table having N_Port_Name that is information to uniquely identify the plurality of host devices and LUN that is information to identify the plurality of storage regions, and

wherein said storage control device requests entry of a password when the table is made.

Claim 11. (previously presented): The storage system according to claim 10, wherein the table has port information of at least one port of said storage control device, the at least one port being connected to the plurality of host devices.

Claim 12. (previously presented): The storage system according to claim 10, wherein the table has configuration information that allows one of the plurality of host devices to access the plurality of storage regions.

Claim 13. (previously presented): The storage system according to claim 10, wherein said storage control device controls I/O requests from the plurality of host devices to the plurality of storage regions.

Claim 14. (currently amended): A storage system adapted to be connected to a plurality of host computers via a fibre channel, the storage system comprising:

a plurality of storage devices that store data from the plurality of host computers and has a plurality of storage regions; and

a storage control device that <u>has at least one port coupled to the plurality of host computers and that</u> controls access from the plurality of host computers to said plurality of storage devices;

wherein said storage control device includes a table having fibre channel frame header information to uniquely identify the plurality of host computers and LUN that is information to identify the plurality of storage regions, and

wherein said storage control device requests entry of a password when the table is made.

Claim 15. (currently amended): The storage system according to claim 14, wherein the table has port information of <u>the</u> at least one port of said storage control device, the at least one port being connected to the plurality of host computers.

Claim 16. (previously presented): The storage system according to claim 14, wherein the table has configuration information that allows one of the plurality of host computers to access the plurality of storage regions.

Claim 17. (previously presented): The storage system according to claim 14, wherein said storage control device controls I/O requests from the plurality of host computers to the plurality of storage regions.

Claim 18. (currently amended): A storage system adapted to be connected to a plurality of host computers via a fibre channel, the storage system comprising:

a plurality of storage devices that store data from the plurality of host computers and has a plurality of storage regions; and

a storage control device <u>that has a device interface coupled to said plurality of storage devices and</u> that controls access from the plurality of host computers to the plurality of storage devices;

wherein said storage control device includes correspondence information between N_Port_Name that is information to uniquely identify the plurality of host computers and LUN that is information to identify the plurality of storage regions, and

wherein said storage control device requests entry of a password when the correspondence information is input.

Claim 19. (previously presented): The storage system according to claim 18, wherein the correspondence information has port information of at least one port of said storage control device, the at least one port being connected to the plurality of host computers.

Claim 20. (previously presented): The storage system according to claim 18, wherein the correspondence information allows one of the plurality of host computers to access the plurality of storage regions.

Claim 21. (previously presented): The storage system according to claim 18, said storage control device controls I/O requests from the plurality of host computers to the plurality of storage regions.

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